Catholic Parishes of Millbury

St. Brigid & Our Lady of the Assumption

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Matthew 13:45-46

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF MILLBURY
ST. BRIGID ✝ OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Parish Offices Are Located At:

59 Main Street, Millbury, MA 01527
Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM
(508) 865-6624 • **Fax:** (508) 865-3101

Assumption Parish Phone: (508) 865-2657
www.assumptionmillbury.org
www.stbrigidparish.org

Assumption School
17 Grove St.
Millbury, MA 01527
(508) 865-5404

www.assumptionschoolmillbury.org

St. Vincent de Paul: (774) 262-5506

Mass Times

Assumption Church
12 Waters Street

Mon. - Thu.: 7:00 AM
Sun.: 9:00 AM

St. Brigid Church
59 Main Street

Sat.: 4:00 PM
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:00 AM (June - Sept.)
Sun.: 7:00 AM & 11:30 AM (Oct. - May)

Daily Masses for now are at 7 AM at Assumption.
See page 10 for new Mass guidelines.

Clergy

Rev. Daniel R. Mulcahy, Jr.
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Ronald B. Buron
Permanent Deacon
Facilities Manager
Safe Environment Coordinator

Assumption School

Julie Olson
Principal

Pastoral Associates

Sister Jeanne Richard, S.A.S.V.
Pastoral Care Ministry Emerita

Gregory Bernard
Adolescent & Young Adult Faith Formation
Youth Ministry
Communications

Deborah Blicharz
Children's Faith Formation
Parish Development

Claudette Belair
Music Ministry

Administrative Staff

Parish Secretary

Ronald Marlborough
Buildings and Grounds

Sacraments of the Church

Reconciliation/Confession
Saturdays 3 PM to 3:45 PM
or anytime upon request.

Baptism
Baptism gatherings, to prepare families for the sacrament of Baptism, are held four times a year. Baptisms are held each month. For more information, or to make arrangements, please call the parish offices.

Marriage
Please call the parish office at least one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick and Communion Calls
Please call the office when a parishioner is confined at home, is in the hospital, or placed in a nursing home or hospice. Holy Communion is brought to shut-ins upon request.

How to Reach Us
Parish staff may be contacted by calling the parish offices at (508) 865-6624. Offices are open Monday through Thursday from 8:30AM to 3:00PM. If the offices are closed, feel free to leave a voicemail and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

Mass Intentions

Sat., July 25
4:00 PM **Chester Urban**
By: The Family

Sun., July 26
7:00 AM **Irene Dolegiewicz**
By: The Family
9:00 AM **Roger Bourdeau**
By: His Wife, Aline Bourdeau
11:00 AM **Dennis & June Leonard**
By: The Family

Mon., July 27
7:00 AM **Felicien Routhier**
By: Paul & Anne-Marie Routhier

Tues., July 28
7:00 AM **Helmuth Arheit**
By: His Daughter

Wed., July 29
7:00 AM **The People of Catholic Parishes of Millbury & Saint Jude**
By: A Parishioner

Thurs. July 30
No Mass

Sat., August. 1
4:00 PM **Jean Paul & Juliette Belisle**
By: Their Children

Sun., August 2
7:00 AM **Barbara A. Limberg**
By: Fr. Dan
9:00 AM **Deceased Members of the Correia and Palatine Families**
By: The Tronerud Family
11:00 AM **Margaret Sisco**
By: The Family

(N.B. Mass Intentions are handwritten in the official Daily Mass Record Book. Our apologies for any errors or misspelled names.)

Scripture for the week of July 26, 2020

26	Sun	1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52
27	Mon	Jer 13:1-11/Mt 13:31-35
28	Tue	Jer 14:17-22/Mt 13:36-43
29	Wed	Jer 15:10, 16-21/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
30	Thu	Jer 18:1-6/Mt 13:47-53
31	Fri	Jer 26:1-9/Mt 13:54-58
1	Sat	Jer 26:11-16, 24/Mt 14:1-12
2	SUN	Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

Saturday, Aug 1, 4 PM at St. Brigid

AS: H Prue, T Yaz
L: TBD
EM: J. Hanratty, H. Quan

Sunday, Aug 2, 7:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: J. Mazeika
L: J. Mazeika
EM: T. Mattus, J. Mazeika

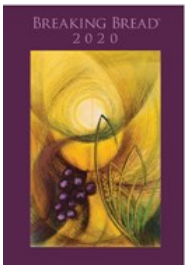
Sunday, Aug 2, 9:00 AM at Assumption

AS: A. Weeks, J. Giro
L: C. Zabinski
EM: L. Flagg, B. McClear

Sunday, Aug 2, 11:00 AM at St. Brigid

AS: T. & F. Jakubiak
L: TBD
EM: M. Horner, M. Piscitelli

Purchase 2021 Breaking Bread Missal



As you have noticed, all missals have been removed from the church pews because only single use materials are currently permitted. We have no idea when the use of shared materials will resume.

We invite you to purchase a 2021 Breaking Bread (it begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent, November 28-29,2020, through the Feast of Christ the King) for personal use. This missal would be your personal property, yours to bring with you to all services and use at home. It provides readings (weekend and daily proper), prayers and music. Due to the uncertainty of the COVID situation, neither Assumption nor St. Brigid will purchase missals.

With the purchase of a 2021 Breaking Bread missal (which arrives in October), you will also receive a copy of the 2020 Missal now in use. The cost is $6 per copy. If you would like to purchase a missal, please fill out the belowform and return if to the rectory via the collection or mail.
Orders must be placed by July 31.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 508-865-6624 or Claudette.belair@charter.net.

Name_____

Phone or email_____

# of books _____

Amount enclosed $_____

In Loving Memory

John & Julia Anger
Lee Aubin
Maryann Auger
Jeanne Augustine
Larry F. Army
Albina Bartkus
Edward Bartkus
Arthur G. Boucher
Natalie Bourdeau
Patricia Bourdeau
Sylvio E. Bourdeau
F. Joseph and Mary Brady
Joseph & Rose Cataldo
Frank Cammuso
Philip Chabot, Sr.
Albert and Helen Collette
Pat and Tiff Correia
Donna "Gain" Cournoyer
Karen A. Courville
Roland O. Couture
Arthur "Archie" Cronin
Gerald & Peggy Croteau
George A. D'Auteuil, Jr.
George A. D'Auteuil, Sr.
Kathleen M. DeCillis

Raymond DeRouin
Armand Desorcy
Joseph Dunn
Timothy P. Eckland
Jonathan Favreau
Lois M. Fisher
Gabrielle G. Gaboriault
Joe & Jean Gagliardi
William Gain, Jr.
Bernice Gaudere
Reggie Gauthier
Ruth Gonsorcik
Daniel Guadagnoli
John & Irene Guyan
Robert James (Sam) Guyan
Betty A. Hamilton
Derek Hamilton
Patricia Hamilton
Robert J. Hamilton
Matthew Hartline
John Huchowski
Paul J. Jandron
Joanne Juskavitch
Joseph V. Kane
Claire Kobel

Richard Kroll
Michael P. Krumsiek
Robert P. LaCrosse, Sr.
Lillian Langevin
Tan Le
Noe R. LeBeau, Sr.
Edward L. Lemoine
Kevin Lemoine
Rita Lemoine
Lorraine Letendre
Mark Lizotte
William and Irene Louis
Leo & Jane Metivier
Kenneth Michalak
Mary B. Mrozinski
Lorraine Mooney
Ann Mulcahy
Daniel R. Mulcahy, Sr.
Joseph Noonan
Albert Nikosey
Charles F. O'Connor, Jr.
John P. & Bridget O'Malley
Richard P. Raymond
Virginia Richnick
Stephen Rodwill

Elaine Roy
Darlene Russell
Dorothy Russell
Marshall Russell
Michael W. Russell
William Russell
Albert & June Russo
Bob & Rita Shea
Lucien Sirard
Maureen L. Stacy
C. Richard Stockhaus
Joseph F. Stockwell
James Tabor
Neal R. Thomas
Connor Tronerud
Chester Urban
Robert E. Vaillancourt
Nancy Vaillancourt
Lucille Vecchione
William T. Walsh
Margaret Wendt
Dolores White
Ronald Woodward
Duane & Dolores Wunn
Frank J. Yaz

Would you like to remember a loved one in our Remembrance section? The cost of enrollment will be a $50 donation for the year. Please contact the office (508) 865-6624 to enroll your loved one(s).

Sanctuary Candles Burning July 26-Aug 1

Our Lady of the Assumption

in Loving Memory of

Arthur G. Boucher

Requested by: His Wife, Mary & Family

Rest in Peace

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the souls of **M. Rita (Devoe) Larosse, Patricia McDonough, and Robert J. Hamilton,** who have gone home to God. May they rest in Christ's eternal light and peace.

This Week

SATURDAY ~ JULY 25
No Events

SUNDAY ~ JULY 26
SLAA @ CPO 7:30 PM

MONDAY ~ JULY 27
AA @ SBH 7 PM
GA @ OLAH 8-9:30 PM

TUESDAY ~ JULY 28
OA @ SBH 6:30-8 PM
CSAW @ OLAC & OLAH 7:00-9:00PM

WEDNESDAY ~ JULY 29
CSAW @ SBC & SBH 7:00-10:00pm

THURSDAY ~ JULY 30
Rosary @ CPO 6 PM

FRIDAY ~ JULY 31
No Events

SATURDAY ~ AUGUST 1
No Events

SUNDAY ~ AUGUST 2
SLAA @ CPO 7:30 PM

KEY TO LOCATIONS

SBC=St. Brigid Church
SBH=St. Brigid Hall
CPO=Catholic Parish Offices
LAC=Assumption Church
LAH=Assumption Hall
LAS=Assumption School

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Diocese of Worcester
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
Phone: 774-262-5506

MONTHLY MEETINGS
3rd Sunday - 10:00 AM
The Offices of the
Catholic Parishes of Millbury
New Members Welcome!

PARISH FOOD COLLECTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend
Food Bins are located in the Main Entrance of the Church

All food donations must be dropped off on food drive dates and placed in the large blue bins only, no exceptions. NO Perishables, NO Cleanouts.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Monthly: 1st Weekend - 12:15 PM
St. Brigid Church Hall

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS LIST

THE PANTRY IS IN NEED OF:
Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup,
Paper Goods, Snacks

Please No Perishable, Expired Dates, or Pet Food.

PRAY THE ROSARY

Every Thursday evening at
6:00PM at the parish offices.
Led by Deacon Ron
All are welcome!

We Believe In The Power Of Prayer

MINISTRY OF PRAYER
Prayer Line 508-865-5373
If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call the confidential prayer line listed above.

Live Stream Mass Information

We will continue to live stream the 9 AM Sunday Mass weekly on Facebook Live until further notice. Visit www.facebook.com/catholicmillbury for the live link or to view later.

Tune in to Millbury Public Access TV for rebroadcast of the Saturday 4:00 Vigil Mass which can be found at Charter Channel 194 and Verizon Channel 28. You can view the Mass Sundays at 9AM, Monday at 2 PM, Tuesday at 6 PM and Friday at 2 PM.

Visit stbrigidparish.org for links to our Facebook page.
See page 10 for new Mass guidelines.

STEWARDSHIP

OUR CHURCH'S FINANCIAL HEALTH

See next week's bulletin Aug 2 which will include financials for weeks of July 12 & 19

Income
Weekend of July 4 & 5, 2020

Regular Weekly C[illegible]		$5,372.00
Ordinary Collect		$1,527.00
Electronic Giving		$0.00
	lection	**$6,899.00**
Other Parish Incc		
Debt *(incl. onli*		$810.00
Specialty Mini	*l.)*	$67.00
Utilities *(incl.*		$513.00
SVDP *(incl. or*		$5.00
Donation		$85.00
Hall Rental		$123.00
Mass Stipends		$60.00
Breaking Bread 2021		$206.00
In Remembrance		$50.00
Faith Formation		$8.00
Ascension Thursday		$8.00
	Total Other Income	**$1,935.00**
	Total Income	**$8,834.00**

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2020 Partners in Charity

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish has exceeded it's Partners goal of $20,000!!

Thank you!

St. Brigid is at 72% of its goal of $60,000 with $16,720 left to go!

Your voice is needed to oppose physician-assisted suicide in Massachusetts!

A CALL TO ACTION FROM THE MASSACHUSETTS CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Massachusetts Catholic Conference

Recently the Physician Assisted Suicide (PAS) bills in the Massachusetts legislature were reported "favorably" by the Joint Committee on Public Health. This is the first time the bills have received a favorable recommendation from a committee. The two bills were also amended slightly and merged into one bill (S.2745, "An Act relative to end of life options"). It has now been assigned to the Health Care Finance Committee for review. It is not to late too stop this legislation from becoming a law!

Call or email your state senator and state representative. You can find their contact information by following the link here: **https://malegislature.gov/StateHouse/Contact**

The text of the bill (S2745) can be found here: https://malegislature.gov/Bills/191/S2745

If passed by the full legislature and signed into law by the Governor, Physician Assisted Suicide would become law in the Commonwealth. In addition to the Catholic Church's teaching that life begins at conception and ends naturally, the following flaws remain in the bill:

1) The six month or less to live prognosis is often wrong. Many patients live for many more months or years after the prognosis.
2) The frail, elderly or disabled may feel pressured to partake in PAS.
3) There is no requirement that a doctor, nurse, family member or any other witness be present at the time the drugs are taken. What happens if something goes wrong?
4) These deadly drugs are picked up at the local pharmacy.
5) There are no safeguards in place to prevent access to the deadly pills once the prescription is filled. If a patient decides not to go forward with PAS or delays the decision or changes his mind completely, deadly barbiturates may remain in the household and available for misuse by anyone with access.
6) A family member who may benefit financially from the death of a relative may exert undue influence on the patient considering PAS.
7) A patient may consider PAS because he or she does not want to be a "burden" to the family. This is particularly true for the disability community.

We must do what we can to prevent it from going any further than the committee level. Efforts by the MCC and other like-minded groups and individuals to defeat these bills are ongoing. You can also help by letting your senator and representative know where you stand on this issue. You may also encourage your state senator and representative to convey your opposition to the members of the Health Care Finance Committee where the bill currently rests.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Massachusetts Catholic Conference (MCC) at 617-746-5630

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."

Matthew 13:45-46

Remember in Prayer this Week
Those who serve in our Military:

Marc Winchester Emily Weagle
Patrick Weeks Denzel Parker
Andrew Hafferty

Forms are available at each parish to add names to the Prayer List or call the rectory at 508-865-6624 with your request.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Greetings from the Knights of Columbus!

SAVE THE DATE! Monday, August 3rd, 7PM at St. Mark in Sutton we will be hosting the Silver Rose prayer service once again. We are only able to have it for one night, since it will only be in our area for one week. Join us as we pray to Our Lady for respect of life. Please wear your mask and practice safe distancing during the service.

FAITH FACTS

THE APOSTLES: JOHN

Saint John was "the disciple whom Jesus loved" in the gospels. He wrote the Gospel According to John.

The picture is from a medieval copy of the gospels. It shows an eagle; the symbol of Saint John.

It seems that all of the apostles stayed in the Holy Land for about twelve years after Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection. After that, they spread the gospel in foreign lands.

John was the only one of the apostles who was not put to death. He died peacefully in Ephesus (in what is now Turkey) around the year 100 A.D.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter has gone Virtual!

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring a virtual marriage experience called **Restore - Rekindle - Renew.** This Enrichment Experience will meet via Zoom for seven sessions on Monday evenings September 14 to October 26 from 7-9:30 PM. For more information or to apply, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at https://wwmema.org/.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

GRAB N GO MEALS

Lunch meals are available to be picked up daily at the front door at 11:30 A.M. Menu is available on www.townofmillbury.org or the Millbury Senior Center Facebook page. A four hour reservation is required. For information or reservations call us at 508-865-9154

EXERCISE IN THE GARDEN

The center is closed at this time, but all are welcome to continue light exercise in the garden on Mondays and Fridays 9:30 - 10:15 A.M. Weather permitting & social distancing is a must!

The Millbury Senior Center is closed to the Public, but the Food Pantry at the Center is available from 9am to 1pm Monday-Friday by calling 508-865-9247 for an appointment. The pantry is fully stocked at this time. Tell us what you need and you can pick it up or we will deliver it. We are here to answer any questions you may have and are available for transportation to Doctors appointments or if you need to go to the drug store for your prescriptions, we will take you there. If you don't have a mask, we will give you one. If you are in need of a home-delivered meal, call us and we will set you up to get one delivered to you. Keep safe and remember to wear a mask if you go out and to wash your hands frequently.

YOUTH & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

CSAW .2

This coming week on Tuesday and Wednesday, 30 teens and adult leaders from our community will report to Community Harvest Project in Grafton for a VERY scaled down CSAW experience. The group will spend a few hours at the farm each day harvesting produce. Produce from the CHP is distributed via the Worcester County Food Bank to food pantries and soup kitchens throughout the greater Worcester area.
Both days will include fun evening activities for the participants, all done with safe social distancing guidelines in place… of course!

Please keep the group in your prayers as they work in the summer heat to help fight local hunger!

Faith Formation

UPDATE!

While we as a community continue to navigate through the COVID-19 situation, the staff is in ongoing talks and discussions on how to safely return to, and provide a healthy and fruitful learning experience for our young church.

We will communicate to the faith community via the bulletin, Flocknote, and parent emails as we have updates. We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding!

Wish List for our Newly renovated Youth Center

Our Youth Center is coming to life, but is in need of the following items:

- **Refrigerator** – Regular Size. Good to excellent condition. Prefer right hinge.
- **Couches (3)** – New or used. Clean from pet free/smoke free home. Contemporary/Modern style.
- **Large/XLarge** – Bean Bag seats new or gently used from pet free/smoke free home.
- **Microwave** – Clean and excellent working condition. Medium Size.
- **Bathroom Sink & Vanity** – No larger than 24" wide. Clean and good to excellent condition.
- **Chairs** – 6 Dining/kitchen excellent cond.; 2 plush Living Room Contemporary/Modern from Pet Free/ Smoke Free.

Thank you in advance for any items you are willing and able to donate. To donate, please contact Greg Bernard at 508-865-6624 or greg.bernard@stbrigidparish.org.

Chosen, Called, Sent!

On the evenings of June 22nd & 23rd at St. Brigid Church twenty two of our young people were strengthened in the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament of Confirmation. The service was presided by Fr. Dan.

Congratulations to our Confirmandi!

Cameron Ayotte - Cassandra Belsito - Ryan Bernard - Gabriella Brouillard - Grace Cote
Julia Drapeau - Madison Forget - Katelyn Gasco - Alexandra Giorgio - Ashley Giorgio - Ryan Gleason
Audrey Hammond - Sophie Ikeda - Emma Jendrysik - Samantha Mastrogiacomo - Elizabeth Mitchell
Margaret Nugent - Thomas J. O'Leary - Thomas P. O'Leary - Cameron Raymond
Victoria Vangel - Tyler White

Assumption School
Millbury, MA
A legacy of learning...a history with heart

Now Enrolling!
PreK-8th Grade

Assumption School
17 Grove Street, Millbury, MA

Conveniently located near the Mass Pike, Rte. 146 & Rte. 20

Formation of the Whole Child

Academic Excellence

Integrity

Tradition

Honor

We welcome children of all faiths, races, and ethnic backgrounds. Accredited by the National Association of Private Schools. For more information, or to schedule a tour, contact the school office at 508-865-5404 or www.assumptionschoolmillbury.org. Check us out on Facebook!

Church Bulletin Bloopers

(taken from actual church bulletins)

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.

During the absence of our Pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J.F. Stubbs supplied our pulpit.

Remember in prayer the many that are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles, and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.

Sermon: What is hell? Come early and listen to our choir practice.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious, or lay person working for the Church, and you need a place to talk about your feelings of betrayal or hurt by the Church, call Judith Audette
Office for Healing and Prevention, (508) 929-4363.
A 24-hour-a-day confidential voicemail is available.

Guidelines for Returning to Mass

Weekend Mass Schedule now through September

Saint Brigid: Saturday 4:00PM; Sunday 7:00AM & 11:00AM
Our Lady of the Assumption: Sunday 9:00AM

While we return to celebrate Mass during this current reopening phase, here are some guidelines we ask that you observe at both churches:

ENTER/EXIT: Use the front doors only at both churches for entry and exit. Only in an emergency, should the nearest safe exit be used.

ACCESSIBILITY Anyone needing the accessible elevette at Assumption Church will still be able to do so via the rear hall door.

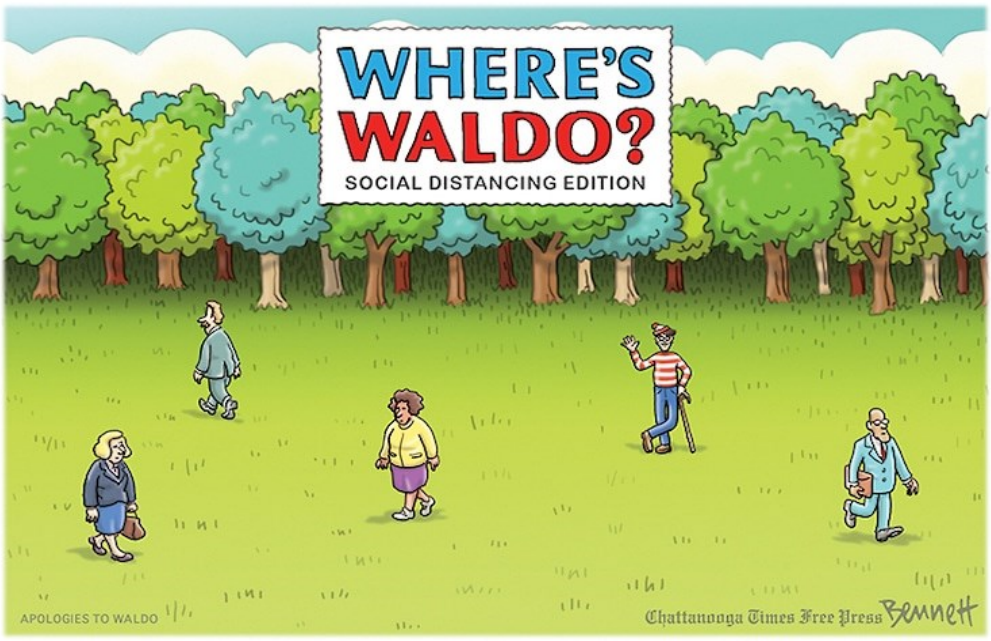
COVER UP: Masks must be worn at all times in the church except when it is time to receive Holy Communion.

SEATING: Every other pew has been taped-off closed for social distancing. In each open pew we have marked off, with stickers or tape, six feet of spacing as a point of reference. Families/Households sitting together do not need to safe distance.

WALK THIS WAY: All aisles are marked with arrows on the floor to allow for safe flow of traffic during Communion.

COMMUNION: Only the Body of Christ will be offered for the foreseeable future. Please practice six feet of social distancing at all times during communion.

SIGN OF PEACE: Please use a non-contact sign of peace with a friendly wave to those around you.

PROCESSIONS: The priest, deacon and ministers will not process via the center aisle before Mass.

SANITIZE: While we will have some hand sanitizer pump bottles accessible in both churches, we encourage all to bring their own personal size supply to Mass if possible.